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**114.6 CMR 3.00: Student Health Insurance Program  
Waiver Documentation Requirement**

Effective July 1, 2008

The Division's regulation governing the Student Health Insurance Program at 114.6 CMR 3.05 (4) requires that institutions of higher education obtain documentation or otherwise verify a student's comparable health insurance coverage as part of the waiver process, beginning with the 2007 - 2008 and continuing into the 2008 – 2009 academic year. This is to notify you that under the authority of regulation 114.6 CMR 3.12, the Division of Health Care Finance and Policy will delay implementation of the requirement that institutions of higher education obtain documentation of comparable insurance coverage as a condition of waiving participation in the student health insurance program.

The Division will work with schools and other state agencies to develop procedures to assist schools in complying with the verification requirement. Given the new insurance mandates, reporting requirements, and agency data sharing authorized by the Massachusetts health care reform law, the Division will determine whether there are alternative means of obtaining verification of alternative coverage. The Division will notify schools by April 1, 2009 about the documentation requirements to be effective for the 2009 - 2010 academic year.